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TAGS: MCAP, OVIP
SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM OGARKOV TO SENATOR TOWER

1. (C) ON FEBRUARY 15, ON THE MARGINS OF THE U.S.-SOVIET U.N. ASSOCIATIONS' MEETINGS IN MOSCOW ON ARMS CONTROL, GENERAL RUSSELL E. DOUGHERTY, FORMER CINCSAC, ASKED GEN. COL. NIKOLAY CHERVOV TO RELAY THE PERSONAL GREETINGS OF GENERAL DAVID JONES, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE JCS, TO SOVIET CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF NIKOLAY OGARKOV.
2. (C) LATER AT A SPASO HOUSE RECEPTION, GEN. LT. (RET.) MIKHAIL MILSHEYN CALLED DOUGHERTY ASIDE FOR A PRIVATE DISCUSSION WITH CHERVOV. MILSHEYN COMMENTED THAT SUCH MILITARY CONTACTS, EVEN ON THE PERIPHERY OF CIVILIAN MEETINGS SUCH AS THE U.N. ASSOCIATION TALKS, CAN BE VERY USEFUL. CHERVOV TOLD DOUGHERTY THAT HE HAD JUST TALKED PERSONALLY WITH OGARKOV, WHO A) APPRECIATED JONES' GREETINGS, AND B) ASKED IF DOUGHERTY COULD CONVEY A MESSAGE TO SENATOR TOWER.
3. (C) DOUGHERTY REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY. CHERVOV SAID THAT MARSHAL OGARKOV HAD ASKED HIM SPECIFICALLY TO GET WORD BACK TO SENATOR TOWER EXPLAINING THAT HIS INABILITY TO SEE THE SENATOR IN MOSCOW EARLIER THIS MONTH WAS DUE TO AN IRRECONCILABLE SCHEDULING PROBLEM. OGARKOV WANTED SENATOR TOWER TO UNDERSTAND THAT HE WAS NOW BACK IN MOSCOW FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD, AND WAS PREPARED TO SEE THE SENATOR IF A VISIT TO MOSCOW COULD BE ARRANGED. DOUGHERTY ASKED IF THIS MEANT OGARKOV HAD AN OPEN SCHEDULE FOR SENATOR TOWER. CHERVOV RESPONDED AFFIRMATIVELY.

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4. (U) GENERAL DOUGHERTY HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
MESSAGE BE PASSED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR RELAY TO SENATOR
TOWER. GENERAL DOUGHERTY HAS CLEARED THIS TELEGRAM.
ZIMMERMANN
END OF MESSAGE

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